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SUBJ: SECVISIT: SCERNARIO FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT TO
PANAMA FEBRUARY 7

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1. FOLLOWING IS SCENARIO FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT AS OF 1800
FEBRUARY 5. ALL TIMES LOCAL.

1200 - SECRETARY AND PARTY ARRIVE AT TOCUMEN AIRPORT ABOARD
USAF AIRCRAFT.

PANAMANIAN CHIEF OF PROTOCOL JOSE MANUEL WATSON BOARDS
AIRCRAFT TO GREET SECRETARY.

SECRETARY DEBARKS.

AMBASSADOR SAYRE INTRODUCES SECRETARY TO FOLLOWING PANAMANIAN:

BRIGADIER GENERAL OMAR TORRIJOS, CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT
AND COMMANDER OF THE NATIONAL GUARD;
JUAN ANTONIO TAKC, MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS;
NICOLAS GONZALEZ REVILLA, PANAMANIAN AMBASSADOR TO U.S.

THERE WILL BE NO ARRIVAL STATEMENT OR PRESS CONFERENCE.
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PRESS WILL HAVE ASSIGNED AREA FROM WHICH THEY CAN PHOTOGRAPH

THE SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL. A NATIONAL GUARD HONOR GUARD WILL BE PRESENT BUT THERE WILL BE NO REVIEWING CEREMONY.

1210 - SECRETARY AND IMMEDIATE PARTY DEPART BY MOTORCADE FOR PRESIDENCIA. CARS WILL BE POSITIONED NEXT TO AIRCRAFT. (CAR ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE SENT SEPTTEL.)

1230 - ARRIVE AT PRESIDENCIA. THE PRESIDENT WILL RECEIVE THE SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY, THEN WILL TAKE THE SECRETARY, ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR SAYRE, INTO HIS OFFICE FOR A DISCUSSION LASTING TWENTY MINUTES.

1250 - LUNCHEON WILL BE SERVED. CHAMPAGNE WILL BE SERVED AT THE LUNCHEON. THE SECRETARY WILL MAKE A TOAST. (WE UNDERSTAND THE TEXT WILL BE PREPARED IN WASHINGTON.) THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WILL BE AT THE LUNCHEON:

PANAMANIAN PARTICIPANTS: PRESIDENT LAKAS, VICE PRESIDENT SUCRE, BRIG. GENERAL TORRIJOS, FOREIGN MINISTER TACK, AMBASSADOR GONZALEZ-REVILLA.

U.S. PARTICIPANTS: SECRETARY KISSINGER, AMBASSADOR SAYRE, AMBASSADOR BUNKER, SENATOR MCGEE, CONG. FASCELL, CONG. LEGGETT, CONG. SNYDER, ASST. SECY. KUBISCH, MR. BELL, MR. VEST, MR. BARNES.

1345 - DEPART PRESIDENCIA FOR LEGISLATIVE PALACE (CAR ASSIGNMENTS IN SEPTTEL).

1400 - ARRIVE AT LEGISLATIVE PALACE FOR SIGNING CEREMONY. GENERAL TORRIJOS WILL NOT BE AT THE CEREMONY. SECRETARY WILL BE SEATED AT TABLE (SEE SEPTTEL FOR SEATING AT MAIN TABLE).

TEXT OF AGREEMENT READ IN ENGLISH BY MR. BELL AND IN SPANISH BY ROGER DECEREGA.

REMARKS BY THE SECRETARY

REMARKS BY FOREIGN MINISTER TACK
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SECRETARY AND FOREIGN MINISTER TACK PROCEED TO SMALLER TABLE AND SIGN ENGLISH AND SPANISH VERSIONS OF AGREEMENT. THEY ARE ESCORTED AND ASSISTED BY MR. BELL AND MR. DECEREGA.

THOSE U.S. OFFICIALS NOT SEATED AT THE MAIN TABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED SEATS IN AUDIENCE NEARBY. APPROXIMATELY 400 PROMINENT PANAMANIAN BUSINESSMEN AND OFFICIALS AND LEADERS

OF U.S. PRIVATE SECTOR WILL BE SEATED IN THE AUDIENCE.
PRESS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS WILL BE IN SPECIAL GALLERIES ON
BOTH SIDES OF SIGNING AREA. LIVE TELEVISION COVERAGE WILL
BE PROVIDED.

1445 - SIGNING CEREMONY CONCLUDES. APPROXIMATELY ONE-HALF HOUR
WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SECRETARY TO MINGLE WITH INVITED GUESTS.

1515 GENERAL TORRIJOS REJOINS SECRETARY FOR MOTOR TOUR
OF CURUNDU AREA OF PANAMA CITY (NEAR CANAL ZONE BOUNDARY)
ACCOMPANIED BY U.S.S.S. AGENT AND INTERPRETER BARNES.
FINAL DECISION HAS NOT YET BEEN MADE WHETHER OTHER MEMBERS OF THE
SECRETARY'S IMMEDIATE PARTY WILL GO TO EMBASSY OR FOLLOW
TORRIJOS AND THE SECRETARY.

1600- SECRETARY AND GENERAL TORRIJOS PROCEED TO HOME OF RODRIGO
(RORY) GONZALEZ FOR PRIVATE MEETING ACCOMPANIED BY U.S.S.S.
AGENT AND INTERPRETER BARNES. IF OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY ARE
FOLLOWING, THEY WILL WAIT IN A SEPARATE ROOM OF THE HOUSE.

1700- MEMBERS OF SS-S STAFF AT EMBASSY DEPART FOR AIRPORT.

1715- SECRETARY, ACCOMPANIED BY GENERAL TORRIJOS, DEPARTS FOR
TOCUMEN AIRPORT .

1735- ARRIVE AT AIRPORT

1740- SECRETARY DELIVERS DEPARTURE STATEMENT IN DIPLOMAITC
RECEPTION ROOM AT THE AIRPORT.

1745- SECRETARY AND PARTY DEPART FOR WASHINGTON. PANAMANIAN
OFFICIALS SEEING SECRETARY OFF, IN ADDITION TO GENERAL
TORRIJOS, INCLUDE FOREIGN MINISTER TACK, AMBASSADOR GONZALEZ-
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REVILLA AND CHIEF OF PROTOCOL WATSON.

2. WE HAVE DROPPED THE VISIT TO THE CHANERY FROM THE SCHEDULE
BECAUSE IT WOULD INVOLVE TRAVEL AWAY FROM THE AIRPORT TOWARD THE
CENTER OF THE TOWN.
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